

Security Information

Official Diary

Monday, 12 January 1953

25X1A9a 1. At the request of Mr. Dulles, surveyed alternate sites for a briefing room in the White House and thereafter, with the approval of Mr. Dulles, instructed [REDACTED] to have the staff of the President-elect (Roger Steffans) informed that the so-called "bowling alley" was satisfactory to CIA, upon the understanding that substantial reconstruction would have to be accomplished.

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2. Arranged for [REDACTED] to see Mr. Dulles on the AE semi-annual report Tuesday afternoon.

3. At the Deputies' meeting, called attention to:

a. Further confirmation of the ground build-up in Korea and,

25X6F b. The series of reports relating to further deterioration of the situation in Iran. With respect to this, I felt that the most disturbing reports were those relating to a stirring up of the tribes in southern Iran, probably [REDACTED]. We plan to have an O/CI round-up which could be forwarded both to O/NE and to the Watch Committee.

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5. General Samford phoned respecting a request of the JCS relating to Central South America, as transmitted through JIC, and indicated that the channel had been chosen by JCS. I interposed no further objection to the paper and prepared a draft reply for the DCI consistent with his view that IAC is responsible solely to NSC.

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6. Discussed briefly with [REDACTED] a revision of the National Intelligence Digest and approved the outline of the survey on Africa.

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